

ESSEX FIRE AUTHORITY
Essex County Fire & Rescue Service



**Policy and Strategy Committee
Agenda**

10:00	Wednesday, 18 March 2015	Fire Service Headquarters, Kelvedon Park,
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Quorum: 5

Membership

Councillor A Hedley
Councillor J Chandler
Councillor A Holland
Councillor J Jowers
Councillor C Kent
Councillor J Moyies
Councillor A Naylor
Councillor Lady P Newton
Councillor P Oxley
Councillor A Turrell

Chairman

Vice-Chairman

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Part 1

(During consideration of these items the meeting is likely to be open to the press and public)

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| 1 | Apologies for Absence | |
| 2 | Declarations of Interest
To note any declarations of interest to be made by Members in accordance with the Members' Code of Conduct | |
| 3 | Minutes
To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 14 January 2015. | 5 - 12 |

Decision Items

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| 4 | Budget Review - January 2015
To receive a report by the Finance Director and Treasurer (EFA/028/15) | 13 - 20 |
| 5 | Review of Finance Policies
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| 6 | Programme 2020
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| 7 | Date of Next Meeting
To note that the next meeting of the Committee will take place on Wednesday 24 June 2015 at 10.00am. | |
| 8 | Urgent Business
To consider any matter which in the opinion of the Chairman should be considered in public by reason of special circumstances (to be specified) as a matter of urgency. | |

Exempt Items

(During consideration of these items the meeting is not likely to be open to the press and public)

To consider whether the press and public should be excluded from the meeting during consideration of an agenda item on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as specified in Part I of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 or it being confidential for the purposes of Section 100A(2) of that Act.

In each case, Members are asked to decide whether, in all the circumstances, the public interest in maintaining the exemption (and discussing the matter in private) outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

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Urgent Exempt Business

To consider in private any other matter which in the opinion of the Chairman should be considered by reason of special circumstances (to be specified) as a matter of urgency.